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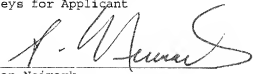
Please enter the amendment presented above prior to examination on the merits, whereby claims 1-35 are in the present application. Based on a telephone conversation with the examiner on March 25, 2009, applicants understand that examination on the present application will begin at some time during the weeks of March 30 and April 5, 2009.

Applicants note for the record an oral restriction requirement and applicants' oral election of the apparatus claims. For the record, this oral election is respectfully made with traverse. Claim 1 has been amended above to include all of the recitations of claim 13, so that there will clearly be unity of invention among claims 1-24. In addition, a new method claim 35 is presented above including all the features of apparatus claim 25, so that there is clearly unity of invention between new claim 35 and claims 25-34.

Applicants also believe and respectfully submit that there is unity of invention among all the claims based on the common subject matter which appears in the four independent claims 1, 13, 25 and 35.

Respectfully submitted,

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